D 9442

FM. 2
C. 90M-1-39

**CONFIDENTIAL**

**SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.**

File No. 6442

S.1, Special Branch Station, 39

**REPORT**

Date September 19, 19 39.

*Subject.* Reported student agitation in the Pootung Middle School - present situation

*Made by.* D.I. Pan Lien Pih *Forwarded by* [illegible] D.S.9

With reference to the attached translation of correspondence which appeared in the September 17th issue of the Chinese-American Daily News and in which allusion was made to a case of abduction of a student from the premises of the Pootung Middle School, enquiries have failed to secure any information that would give credence to the report.

In the course of enquiries, however, it has been ascertained that on September 10, 1939, about a week following the reopening of the current term, Zau Chi-lan (曹奇嵐), a student of the Junior Middle School Department of the Pootung Middle School, with temporary premises at No. 13 Rue Doumer, accompanied by his family, attended the school and requested permission from the school authorities to discontinue his studies which permission was immediately granted by the latter. Since that day, Zau has not attended classes at the school which might have given rise to the speculation that he is missing. This belief of his schoolmates was given added strength when taking into account the fact that Waung Mei-yung (汪曼云), ex-principal of the school, has changed his allegiance and has joined the following of Wang Ching-wei. In this connection it is worthy of mention that on August 20, 1939, Waung Mei-yung relinquished his post as principal of the school when it became public knowledge that he had gone over to the Wang Ching-wei clique and appointed one

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE. SEP 19 1939 DEPUTY COMMISSIONER SPECIAL BRANCH

FILE

Read 19/9.

FM. 2
G. 90M-1-39

File No. .....

# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

.....Station,

**REPORT**
(2)

Date.....19

Subject.....

Made by.....Forwarded by.....

Wu Tse-ping (吳之屏), a local lawyer, who is his brother-in-law, to be his successor.

At present the Pootung Middle School has a total of some 320 students.

Pan Lien-pik
D. I.

D.C. (Special Branch)

Chinese-American Daily News dated Sept.16): 17.9.39 (AM)

**A STUDENT OF THE POOTUNG MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORTED MISSING**

On September 10, your paper published a letter captioned "Why not burn the books and bury the literati?" This prophetic heading is about to materialize.

The letter was written by a student in the fall term of Junior Middle School Second Year Class and revealed a fact which has been admitted by the school officials, including Wu Tse-ping (吳之屏), the uncle of the traitorous Hwang Mei-yung (黃美雲). It is not known how Zau's (曹) communication to the Press became known to the school; most probably, pro-Wang students had reported it to their master.

Yesterday the school hired some strangers who took Zau away from the school. We do not know how he has been dealt with. The student did not attend class to-day. Thus the future of a bright youth has been sacrificed.

The school has admitted that the surrender of Hwang Mei-yung was only a personal act and had nothing to do with the school. They also say that Wu Tse-ping was engaged by the Board of Directors as Principal, but they had forgotten that the traitor Hwang had made the following introductory remarks at the re-opening of the school: "As I have certain business to undertake, I have now resigned. The Directors of this school, such as Pan Kung-chan (潘公展), O.K. Yui (俞鴻鈞), Tu Yueh-sung (杜月笙) etc. are all away from Shanghai, so I have invited lawyer Wu Tse-ping to act as Principal ...." Wu Tse-ping is thus conducting a slavish education in the Pootung Middle School on behalf of rebel Wang.

I hope students and teachers of the school who are unwilling to co-operate with the rebels will leave the school.

A student of the Pootung Middle School
who is unwilling to be a slave.
September 12.